

## GOVERNOR ARNOLD SCHWARZENEGGER

## PROCLAMATION

Over the last 31 years, Californians have sustained more than 21,000 injuries caused by natural, technological and other disasters. These catastrophes, including fires, earthquakes and mudslides, have affected California's natural beauty, ruined land, businesses and homes, and have taken hundreds of lives.

Many of these crises are unavoidable, but by preparing adequate emergency response plans, California communities and citizens can minimize their harmful effects.

This week, we focus on the importance of developing disaster resistant communities in California. Governments, businesses and citizens are working together to protect public and private property and reduce the loss of life by implementing hazard mitigation measures and programs.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, ARNOLD SCHWARZENEGGER, Governor of the State of California, do hereby proclaim May 2-8, as "Disaster Resistant California Week."



IN WITNESS WHEREOF I have here unto set my hand and caused the Great Scal of the State of California to be affixed this 29th day of April 2004.

Arnold Schwarzenegger GOVERNOR OF CALIFORNIA

Kevin Shelley

SECRETARY OF STATE